

**REMARKS**

In this amendment, applicant has amended the claims to more particularly point out the invention. In particular, it is noted that the placement of the second securement strap at a position which is not disclose over the weight results in this stability for this strap. This is particularly important as a connector, such as a Velcro type connector which is placed over the weight would be subjected to additional stress. At the same time, such a strap on one side of the weight combined with the glove on the other side of the weight asked to secure the weights in a manner which is not possible with the prior art. Jackson, for example, does not even show heavyweights which have been secured. Groves shows of exercise device in which the weight is free to ride up and down about the rest. None of the other patents of record address this issue.

With regard to the §112 rejection of claims 9-10 and 16-17, it is noted that strap 18 is elastic. The specification has been amended to add this. It is noted that there is no new matter, as the disclosure has not been increased beyond the amount of disclosure in the claims as filed. Claim 6 has been canceled, those rendering moot the issue with respect to zippers. It is noted that the claim 8 reads on and covers structures with zipper fasteners.

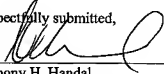
While it is believed that prior to the amendment, the claims patentably defined over the prior art, these amendments are made in an effort to expedite allowance of the application.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0369, under Order No. 25654/1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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